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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 5 November 1965

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[redacted] of OCI gave a background briefing on Syria.

DD/I noted completion of an Agency study of the Chinese Communist advanced weapons threat. The study relates to the Defense Secretary's consideration of NIKE-X as a defensive weapon against a ChiCom threat. Our study is in disagreement with one done by DIA. A covering letter to SecDef for DCI signature has been prepared.

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[redacted] is alerted and will make the study available.

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DD/I referred to the [redacted] and his hopes that current negotiations with DIA will permit the Agency to relax its efforts in this program.

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DD/S reported the unsuccessful efforts to make [redacted] part of [redacted] consultant work with us. [redacted] has left [redacted] company.

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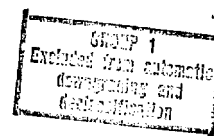
de Silva reported that he had briefed this week House Foreign Affairs Committee Staff Director Crawford who will be visiting Vietnam with Representative Wayne Hays. de Silva will brief Representative Casey today. Casey will visit Vietnam with Representative Teague.

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Bross reported that a revised paper on the China intelligence program will be completed this morning for sending onward to Coyne for Clifford's use when the latter meets with the President. DCI asked Bross to find out from Coyne whether a date has been set for this meeting. 25X1

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25X1 [REDACTED] noted that NRO has requested Agency help in getting information for responding to various memoranda issued by the SecDef yesterday on reconnaissance matters. (See Action 4)

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Executive Director reported on the visit here yesterday by the National Interdepartmental Seminar. Three Ambassadors were members of the group and two specifically commended our people in the countries in which they were posted. [REDACTED] 25X1

Executive Director referred to two recent letters of commendation, one from Army Adjutant General concerning [REDACTED] of Security and the other from Ambassador [REDACTED] concerning [REDACTED] 25X1
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Executive Director noted that the Agency's cost reduction program is on target as of the end of the first quarter of FY 66.

Executive Director reported on current budget issues and the need to identify additional low priority programs. He said he would be conferring with the Deputies and others later today. 25X1

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25X1 DCI said that he is to meet soon with Secretary Vance to discuss the [redacted] Information is to be drawn together for DCI's use.

25X1 At DCI inquiry R. J. Smith said he had visited [redacted] and found current support to [redacted] to be in good order.

At DCI inquiry DD/I explained that his work, requested by McGeorge Bundy, in assessing the U. S. bombing program in Vietnam is near completion. The study, it is hoped, will be available Monday.

DCI queried the status of efforts to arrange for recruitment of photo interpreters. Executive Director said that he will be meeting this morning to consider a proposed recruitment program and DCI will be briefed on our plans.

ACTIONS:

1. DCI requested DD/I to consider the advisability of providing that signature of a responsible Agency official is affixed to most CIA studies and projects. DCI said he himself intends from now on to have his signature appear on the first page of all forthcoming NIE's and SNIE's.

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3. DCI noted that he had signed today a memorandum to all Deputy Directors and Heads of Independent Offices reminding them of the Agency's primary purpose of collecting and evaluating intelligence. [redacted]

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[redacted] In general DCI's guidance was that this Agency will fund only what is necessary for intelligence purposes.

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